

**Winchester City  
Tree Commission**

**Special Meeting**

**9:00 a.m., Sunday January 31<sup>st</sup> 2010**

**Cameron Street between Millwood/Gerrard and Wyck Streets**

**Minutes**

Present: Kate Christen, Patrick Farris (chair), T'ai Roulston

Absent: Allison Major (vice chair), Chris Scully, Mary Stickley

Tree Commission members gathered at the intersection of Millwood/Gerrard Streets and South Cameron Street at 9:00am. The meeting was called to order at 9:10am and the Commission commenced walking the zone of the Downtown Infrastructure Improvement Project by 9:15am to review tree planting locations and make recommendations for plantings.

At each tree planting location a discussion took place concerning the appropriateness of species, consideration of power lines, proximity of buildings, flagpoles, signage, and other trees, as well as keeping an eye towards aesthetics and ensuring both a healthy diversity of species and a preference towards native species.

The Commission completed its survey and discussion of all tree planting locations within the project area on Cameron Street by 12:30pm, and adjourned at that time. The total number of tree planting locations reviewed during the course of this meeting was 84, the remainder of the original 148 locations which were to be reviewed.

In addition to making recommendations for tree plantings in the project area (please see below), the Commission unanimously passed three additional recommendations (each motion was made by Farris, seconded by Roulston);

- 1) Maple tree located on the corner of Amherst and N. Braddock Streets to be removed at the request of Bill Truban and replaced with a tree of the same species. During its regular meeting on January 28<sup>th</sup> the Tree Commission voted this request be tabled pending determination as to whether, if removed, a new tree could be funded for planting at the same location with funds for the current Downtown Infrastructure Improvement Project, and that should the project be able to cover the cost of replanting a tree on this location then the Commission would agree to grant the original removal request. Winchester City Public Services Director Perry Eisenach confirmed on Friday January 29<sup>th</sup> with Winchester City Arborist Tim Stern that the cost would be covered by the project, and as a result at this special meeting of the Commission the tree removal request was granted.
- 2) Following snowmelt, the Commission requests that the Arborist confirm the locations of the tree wells originally noted on maps provided by the Public Services Director, as many were partially obscured by heavy snow drifts during this special meeting.
- 3) Should the Arborist determine that the Commission has recommended a tree which due to its expected size at maturity may ultimately be inappropriate for the location selected, the Commission asks the Arborist to use his judgment to recommend a tree as close to the originally proposed tree in size as is practical.

Respectfully submitted,

Patrick Farris

*The City Arborist is requested to approve the largest caliper tree available and appropriate for each tree well so as to allow for the most rapid replacement of lost tree canopy as is possible. This is to apply to all tree planting requests made by the Tree Commission for the Downtown Improvement Project.*

<b>Tree Well #</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>
64	American Sycamore
65	American Sycamore
66	American Hophornbeam
67	American Sycamore
68	American Hophornbeam
69	American Linden
70	Crabapple
71	American Linden
72	American Linden
73	American Linden
74	Crabapple
75	Crabapple
76	American Linden
77	Crabapple
78	American Linden
79	Red Oak
80	Red Oak
81	Yellowwood
82	Red Oak
83	Yellowwood
84	Yellowwood
85	Eastern Redbud
86	American Linden
87	Eastern Redbud
88	Dogwood

89	American Linden
90	Eastern Redbud
91	American Linden
92	Red Maple
93	American Hornbeam
94	Red Maple
95	Eastern Redbud
96	Eastern Redbud
97	Eastern Redbud
98	Red Oak
99	Red Oak
100	Serviceberry
101	Serviceberry
102	Red Oak
103	Japanese Zelkova
104	Japanese Zelkova
105	Japanese Zelkova
106	Red Oak
107	Yellowwood
108	American Sycamore
109	American Sycamore
110	Serviceberry
111	Yellowwood
112	Yellowwood
113	Yellowwood
114	Yellowwood
115	Bald Cypress
116	Bald Cypress

117	Bald Cypress
118	White Oak
119	Red Oak
120	Bald Cypress
121	Bald Cypress
122	Japanese Zelkova
123	American Sycamore
124	American Sycamore
125	American Sycamore
126	Red Oak
127	Yellowwood
128	American Hophornbeam
129	American Hophornbeam
130	American Sycamore
131	Dogwood
132	American Linden
133	American Linden
134	American Linden
135	American Linden
136	Red Maple
137	Red Maple
138	Red Maple
139	Eastern Redbud
140	Eastern Redbud
141	Japanese Zelkova
142	American Sycamore
143	White Oak
144	Eastern Redbud

145	White Oak
146	Serviceberry
147	Serviceberry
148	Tulip Poplar